IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Mark G. Fleischhacker

Serial No. : 09/770,342

Filing Date : January 26, 2001 For : Non-Metallic Guidewire

For : Non-Metallic Gr Confirmation No : 6291

Group Unit : 6291

Examiner : Foreman, Jonathan M.

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in further response to Office Action-FINAL mailed 10/03/2007. A request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being concurrently filed. A Notice of Appeal was filed on April 3, 2008. Filing of this RCE includes a request to dismiss that appeal.

A 4-month Request for Extension of time and applicable fee are being filed herewith.

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